

Fair Political Practices Commission
MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Johnson, Commissioners Hodson, Huguenin, Leidigh and Remy
From: Scott Hallabrin, General Counsel
Subject: Adoption of Nonsubstantive Amendments to Regulation 18200
Date: January 25, 2008

Proposed Commission Action and Staff Recommendation: Approve adoption of the proposed nonsubstantive amendments to Regulation 18200.

Reasons for Proposal: Regulation 18200, adopted by the Commission in October 2007, defines standard references as used throughout the Commission's regulations.

The word "Act" (referring to the Political Reform Act) is currently used in several places in Commission regulations. Staff proposes adding a definition of that term to this regulation so there is no confusion on what "Act" means when it appears in Commission regulations.

To accommodate this addition, the staff also recommends the regulation be revised so that each term defined by the regulation is listed in a separate paragraph.

Nonsubstantive Amendment: Since these are technical, nonsubstantive amendments, the Commission may adopt this proposal immediately without publication of formal notice through the Office of Administrative Law.